State of Maine Procurement Justification Form

PART I: OVERVIEW									
Department Office/Division/Program:				SAMHS and the Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention/Infectious Disease Surveillance					
Department Contract Administrator or Grant Coordinator:			Nancy Tan/Matt Galletta						
(If applicable) Department Reference #:			COM-21-029B						
(Contract/Amendment/Grant)		Current: \$ 1,41 Amend: \$ 14 Revised: \$ 1,55	11,996 Advantage (T / RQS #: CT-10A-20		0200511*3183		
CONTRACT	Pr	oposed Start Date:			Proposed	End Date:			
AMENDMENT	Original Start Date:		7/1/2020		Effective Date:		1/1/2021		
AMENDMENT	Previous End Date:		6/30/2022		New End Date:		N/A		
GRANT	Project Start Date:				Grant Start Date:				
GRANT	Project End Date:				Grant End Date:				
Vendor/Provider/Grantee Name, City, State:			211 Maine LLC., Portland, ME 04112-5200						
Brief Description of Goods/Services/Grant:			211 Call Center Operations						

	PART II: JUSTIFICATION FOR VENDOR SELECTION							
Mark an "X" before the justification(s) that applies to this request. (Check all that apply.)								
	A. Competitive Process		G. Grant					
Х	B. Amendment	Х	H. State Statute/Agency Directed - Public Law Chapter 51 H.P. 399 L.D. 523					
	C. Single Source/Unique Vendor		I. Federal Agency Directed					
	D. Proprietary/Copyright/Patents		J. Willing and Qualified					
	E. Emergency		K. Client Choice					
	F. University Cooperative Project	X	L. Other Authorization: COVID-19					

PART III: SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Please respond to ALL of the following:

1. Provide a more detailed description and explain the need for the goods, services or grant to supplement the response in Part I.

The purpose of this amendment is to extend Coronavirus (COVID-19) information and referral services to this agreement to 6/30/2021.

2-1-1 Maine provides a statewide human services information and referral resource database accessible both via the web and via phone contact available to the people of State of Maine. 2-1-1 Maine is utilized not only for ongoing access to information and referral services but is also the means of communicating with citizens when emergency situations and other issues arise which require ability to promulgate and/or gather local and/or statewide information in a consistent, centralized manner. 2-1-1 was mandated by Public Law Chapter 51 H.P. 399 L.D. 523.

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2. Provide a brief justification for the selected vendor to supplement the response in Part II.

The Maine Public Utilities Commission (PUC) reordered the designation of 2-1-1 Maine, Inc. as the sole authority to provide 211 services in the State of Maine. This designation is held by the Contractor and was applied for by the United Ways of Maine when the service was initially originally established. No other entity can apply for this sole designation in the State. This sole authority to provide 2-1-1 services is necessary in order for the service to be performed and delivered across the State. This sole authority is consistent with these services as they are delivered in other states in the USA as well. Capacity and designation for delivery of service does not exist within any other contractor's ability within the State.

United Way of Maine established 2-1-1 Maine and obtained and maintained the PUC's designation as the sole authority to provide these services. United Ways exist throughout the State and contribute considerable financial and personnel resources to the maintenance and enhancement of 2-1-1 as well.

Explain how the negotiated costs or rates are fair and reasonable; or how the funding was allocated to grantee.

The cost for services provided has been negotiated between the Department and the Provider at a rate consistent (unchanged) with previous years.

4. Describe the plan for future competition for the goods or services.

The Maine Utilities Commission has designated 2-1-1 Maine, Inc. as the sole authority of providing these services (Refer to: <u>Title 35-A, Sec 7108</u> & <u>Title 22, Sec 4323</u>). Therefore, the Department does not intend to competitively procure these services.

	PART IV: APPROVALS						
Signature of requesting Department's Commissioner							
(or designee):							
Printed Name:	Jonlah	Date: 3,1-1), 2-20					
Signature of DAFS Procurement Official:							
Printed Name:	41C2BA36FAF44CD Kathy Paquette	Date: 1/12/2021					